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The Opposition

1.

the Yugoslav Government has not negotiated with opposition parties in the country to date. Rumors of such negotiations have deliberately been spread by the Government.

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Democratic Party

2. Milan Grol, former chief of the Democratic Party,

Dr. Dragoljub Ikonc, former prominent member of the Democratic Party.

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was the defense attorney for Draza Mihailovic. A month ago Joksimovic was arrested by the UDB, who confiscated the memoirs he was writing.

3. Another former functionary of the Party is Dr. Slavko Dukanac, Nikola Djonovic apparently gets along well with the Government, He maintains good relations with Radmilo Stoiljkovic.

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Radical Party

4. Last chief of the Party was Misa Trifunovic, who was released from prison on a pardon, having served only a small portion of his sentence.

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5. The most forceful and active Party personage in Belgrade is Panta Radojevic, a former Cabinet Minister, who carries on minor political activities very discreetly. In Serbia the Party has many other leaders who are not compromised by collaboration with Marshal Tito. Dr. Lazar Markovic, a prominent political official, who was condemned to seven years' imprisonment, is now serving the remainder of his sentence in Sremska Mitrovica, where he is well treated. Radio announcements from Belgrade and Prague to the effect that he is at liberty are false.

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6. It is well known that Aleksandar Rankovic sent his emissaries to Sremska Mitrovica several times to attempt to persuade Markovic to sign a pardon request, which would release him at once. Markovic has refused, stating that he wished to serve the end of his sentence. Subsequently his daughter in Belgrade was requested by the UDB to sign an appeal for the release of her father, but she also refused.

People's Agrarian Party

7. Last leader of the Party was Dr. Dragoljub Jovanovic, who is still incarcerated in Sremska Mitrovica.

The regime, however, has no intention of releasing him, especially in these days of collectivization when he could incite a revolution among the peasants. The emergence of a real peasant party leader in Yugoslavia today would constitute an enormous menace to the regime.

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8. Another member of the Agrarian Party is Dr. Sveta Zinkovic, who is also in prison. Former important leaders, such as Kosan Pavlovic and Ninko Petrovic are collaborating with Marshal Tito.

Independent Democratic Party

9. This Party does not exist even in name today since most of its former top officials are collaborating in one way or another with the regime. Among these are Sava Kosanovic, Hinko Krizman, Rajko Djermanovic, Srdjan Budisavljevic and Daniko Medakovic.

10. [redacted] Duda Boskovic was physically assaulted by order of the regime in Pancevo [redacted]

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is certain that Budisavljevic, Medakovic and Krizman regret their collaboration with Marshal Tito. [redacted] Boskovic

Serbian Agrarian Party

11. This Party today enjoys the greatest favor among the Serbs in Yugoslavia. One group of its officials, headed by Branko Cubrilovic, joined the Popular Front and is resented by the people, who no longer regard it as representing the Party. Both Cubrilovic and Milos Moskovljevic, [redacted]

allegedly regret their collaboration with the present government.

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12. The former leader of the Party, Dr. Milan Gavrilovic, is a refugee [redacted]

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Two of the foremost Party functionaries to whom the people look for guidance are Ceda Kokanovic, now working as an accountant in the New Belgrade Construction Project, and the Orthodox Priest, Djoka Vranesevic, [redacted]

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